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Applicants: J. Stinson

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 4, 2007, and marked final, a reply to which is due August 4, 2007 with a one-month extension of time, a petition for which is filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application with the concurrent filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this submission.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this submission.

This Amendment and Response is timely filed on August 6, 2007 pursuant to 37 C.F.R.

§1.7.